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which he or she met the service requirement, even though the time limit for such conversion has expired.

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§315.705 Employees serving under transitional or veterans readjustment appointments.

(a) *Agency action.* (1) An agency shall convert the employment of an employee who has served continuously under a transitional appointment for at least 1 year to career or career-conditional employment within 90 calendar days after he completes the program of education or training approved for him.

(2) Within 30 calendar days after an employee completes (i) 2 years of substantially continuous service under a veterans readjustment appointment or under a combination of transitional and veterans readjustment appointments and (ii) his training or educational programs, the employing agency shall convert his appointment to career or career-conditional employment.

(b) *Tenure.* Upon conversion of his employment, the employee becomes:

(1) A career-conditional employee, except as provided in paragraph (b)(2) of this section;

(2) A career employee if he has completed the service requirement for career tenure or is excepted from it by §315.201(c).

(c) *Acquisition of competitive status.* An employee whose employment is converted to career or career-conditional employment under this section, acquires a competitive status automatically on conversion.

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§315.706 Certain nonpermanent employees of the Department of Energy.

(a) *General.* Employees transferred to the Department of Energy under Public Law 95-91, who are serving in nonpermanent appointments made under competitive procedures of the former Atomic Energy Commission or Energy Research and Development Administration and are determined by the De-

partment to be performing continuing functions, may be converted to career or career-conditional by OPM upon recommendation by the Department.

(b) *Tenure upon conversion.* Employees converted under this section become career-conditional employees unless they have completed the service requirement for career tenure.

(c) *Acquisition of competitive status.* A person whose employment is converted to career or career-conditional employment under this section acquires competitive status automatically.

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§315.707 Disabled veterans.

(a) *Eligibility.* (1) Subject to requirements concerning qualifications and probationary period published by the Office, an agency may convert the employment of a disabled veteran who meets the conditions below to career or career-conditional employment from a time-limited appointment of more than 60 days.

(2) To be eligible for conversion under this paragraph, the veteran must:

(i) Have been retired from active military service with a disability rating of 30 percent or more;

(ii) Have been rated by the Veterans Administration within the preceding year as having a compensable service-connected disability of 30 percent or more; or

(iii) Have had such a rating by the Veterans Administration at the time of a qualifying temporary appointment effected within the year immediately preceding the conversion.

(b) *Tenure on conversion.* (1) Except as provided in paragraph (b)(2) of this section, a person converted under paragraph (a) of this section becomes a career-conditional employee.

(2) A person appointed under paragraph (a) of this section becomes a career employee if excepted from the service requirement for career tenure by §315.201(c).

(c) *Acquisition of competitive status.* A person converted under paragraph (a) of this section acquires a competitive

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status automatically on completion of probation.

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§ 315.708 Conversion based on service as a Presidential Management Intern.

(a) *Agency authority.* An agency may convert noncompetitively to career or career-conditional employment, a Presidential Management Intern who:

(1) Has satisfactorily completed a 2-year Presidential Management Internship, under § 213.3102(ii) of this chapter, at the time of conversion;

(2) Is recommended for conversion within 90 calendar days before completion of the Internship; and

(3) Meets the citizenship requirement.

(b) *Tenure on conversion.* (1) Except as provided in paragraph (b)(2) of this section, a person appointed under paragraph (a) of this section becomes a career-conditional employee.

(2) A person appointed under paragraph (a) of this section becomes a career employee when he or she has completed the service requirement for career tenure or is excepted from it under § 315.201(c) of this chapter.

(c) *Acquisition of competitive status.* A person converted to career or career-conditional employment under this section does not serve probation and acquires competitive status immediately upon conversion.

[62 FR 44199, Aug. 20, 1997]

§ 315.709 Employees who are mentally retarded, severely physically handicapped, or have psychiatric disabilities serving under Schedule A appointments.

(a) *Coverage.* Employees appointed under §§ 213.3102(t), (u), and (gg) of this chapter may have their appointments converted to career or career-conditional appointments when they:

(1) Complete 2 or more years of satisfactory service, without a break of more than 30 days, under non-temporary Schedule A appointments.

(2) Are recommended for conversion by their supervisors;

(3) Meet all requirements and conditions governing career and career-con-

ditional appointment except those requirements concerning competitive selection from a register and medical qualifications; and

(4) Are converted without a break in service of one workday.

(b) *Tenure on conversion.* An employee converted under paragraph (a) of this section becomes:

(1) A career-conditional employee, except as provided in paragraph (b)(2) of this section;

(2) A career employee if he or she has completed 3 years of substantially continuous service in nontemporary appointments under §§ 213.3102(t), (u), or (gg) of this chapter, or has otherwise completed the service requirement for career tenure, or is excepted from it by § 315.201(c).

(c) *Acquisition of competitive status.* A person whose employment is converted to career or career-conditional employment under this section acquires a competitive status automatically on conversion.

[44 FR 66574, Nov. 20, 1979; 44 FR 72569, Dec. 14, 1979, as amended at 65 FR 41868, July 7, 2000]

§ 315.710 Professional and administrative career employees serving under Schedule B appointments.

(a) *Coverage.* This section covers employees serving in occupations that were covered by the Professional and Administrative Career Examination on August 30, 1982, and that were listed in the consent decree entered on November 19, 1981, by the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia in the civil action known as *Luevano v. Devine* and numbered as No. 79–271. Those occupations are designated in these regulations as professional and administrative career (PAC) occupations or positions. OPM will publish a listing of PAC occupations.

(b) *Eligibility.* An agency may, but is not required to, convert appointments of employees occupying PAC positions under nontemporary appointments effected under § 213.3202(1) of this chapter to career or career-conditional appointments at the GS–9 level in any position in a PAC occupation when such employees—

(1) Complete at least 1 year of Schedule B service at the GS–7 level that